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NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Pourke Cockran was dropped from all Tammany Hall committees.

New Zealand and Tasmania hope to see the American battleship fleet.

Japan will enforce regulations restricting the importation of arms into China.

The Japanese Government has decided to establish a tobacco monopoly in Korea.

Japan is considering a proposition to lease her railways to a foreign syndicate.

China will pay an indemnity to Japan and retain the arms seized on board the Tatsui.

No member of the Cabinet will attend the Republican National Convention as a delegate.

The Chinese section of the trans-Andean tunnel on the Arica and La Paz Railway has been opened.

The Russian Minister of Justice has asked the Duma to vote \$1,000,000 to enlarge the overcrowded prisons.

The news that the American battleship fleet would visit Australia was received with rejoicing at Sydney and Melbourne.

New York City is suffering from recurrent waves of scarlet fever and measles, and all the contagious disease hospitals are filled.

The return of the American battleship fleet by way of Suez is regarded in Russia as definitely ending the rumors of serious trouble in the Far East.

Secretary Taft, speaking in Michigan, advocated greater railway regulation to prevent Government ownership and the increased centralization of power it would entail.

Testifying for the Government, a one-time employee of the Standard Oil Company declared that the company paid regularly for information concerning the shipments of its rivals.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

W. W. Astor increased his gift to the Oxford endowment fund to \$100,000.

Rear-Admiral Evans will relinquish command of the battleship fleet in July.

J. P. Morgan headed a syndicate that purchased a large nitrate field in Chile for \$12,500,000.

The Hon. James Cully, son of Viscount Selby, was committed to jail for contempt of court in abducting his daughter.

Prince Kuroki, special envoy of the Emperor of Japan, arrived at Madrid, to confer on Queen Victoria a decoration granted by the Mikado.

General Hugh Cameron, the Kansas hermit, has signified his intention of retiring from the woods and spending the remaining years of his life in an automobile.

J. C. S. Beckham, for eight years Governor of Kentucky, announced his permanent and unconditional retirement from politics at a banquet given him by 300 Democrats.

Dr. Jacoby, in an address before the Conference on Congress, in New York City, said poor ventilation resulting from crowded quarters bred and spread tuberculosis.

M. D. Pokotiloff, Russian Minister to China, who was in this country in 1905 to aid in the negotiation of the Russo-Japanese War, died at Pekin.

Brigadier-General Royal Thaxter Frank, U. S. A., retired, died in his home in Washington, D. C., in his seventy-sixth year. He was graduated from the Military Academy in the class of '58.

In a speech to Camp Fire Club of America, Gifford Pinchot, Chief Forester of the Department of Agriculture, declared that a great war is imminent in this country, and that the forest rangers will be scouts.

Palmetto Affairs

The News of South Carolina in Condensed Form

Not For Editors to Decide.
Columbia, Special.—William J. Bryan in a letter to William E. Gonzales, editor of The State, says that it is not for him to discuss the question of availability of candidates. His availability as a candidate, he says, is not a question upon which his judgment should be ventured or accepted. "I have simply stated that it is a question for the voters of the party to determine."

Motion For Revocation.
Columbia, Special.—Attorneys for the dispensary commission prepared formal notices of a motion before Judge Pritchard for an order revoking his former orders granting an injunction and appointing receivers for the dispensary funds. The motion is to be argued at Asheville on March 27th and is based on the ground that the Supreme Court of South Carolina has interpreted the law in dispute contrary to the interpretation of Judge Pritchard. The notice will be at once served on the attorneys for the whiskey house. Until this motion is disposed of one way or the other the Supreme Court of the States will not issue the formal writ of mandamus which it has decreed the Attorney General is entitled to in order to secure the \$15,000 of dispensary money for procuring alleged dispensary grafters.

New Treasurer Elected.
Lancaster, Special.—Mr. LeRoy Springs, president of the Springstead Mills, has just returned from Chester, where he has been assisting the American Audit Company in locating the shortage of Mr. R. W. Boney, treasurer of the Springstead Mills. Mr. Springs states that the American Audit Company will not be prepared to make a complete statement before the last of this week or the first of next. So far the shortage amounts to something over \$7,000. Mr. Springs denies that the shortage is due to Mr. Boney's borrowing money from the mills. The mill protested by a surety bond of \$10,000. At a meeting of the board of directors Mr. Waddy C. Thompson of Lancaster was elected treasurer to succeed Mr. Boney.

Ware Shoals Railroad.
Columbia, Special.—The railroad commission has decided to order a rehearing in the case of the Ware Shoals railroad, which line has been declared a common carrier some weeks ago. The line, which connects at Ware Shoals with the Southern railroad, and runs out a distance of about six miles, has it is charged, refused freight shipments from other points and an order issued by the commission declared the road liable for all freights, must receive all freight shipments. The commission in ordering a rehearing decided that shipments up to that time must be

THE WORK OF CONGRESS

Doings of Our National Law-Makers Day by Day.

Senator Tillman Caustic.
Under the guise of discussing legislation the session of the Senate was devoted to a political discussion in which Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, and Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, were the chief participants. The Senate considered the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill and after some criticism of the action of the conferees on minor provision the report was disagreed to and another conference asked.

The House bill appropriating \$403,030 to pay the archbishop of Manila as representative of the Roman Catholic church for damage to church property during the Spanish war also was passed.

The Pendulum's Extremes.
Mr. Tillman traced what he termed a "swinging of the pendulum" from the regime of Andrew Johnson when Congress assumed control almost to the exclusion of the President from legislative influence to the administrations that followed, which he declared witnessed a growth of presidential power. The dominating influence and control of the executive branch, he said, over the legislative and in a less degree over the judicial branches of the government were the most marked features of American politics at this time.

"It has taken," said Mr. Tillman, "just forty-one years for the pendulum to swing from one extreme to the other."

"Now," he said, "the House of Representatives has degenerated into little more than a recording machine to do the will of the Speaker and his henchmen." Freedom of debate in the old and true sense has disappeared from that end of the Capitol. Most of the appropriations are made by the executive branch of the government and are the order of the day," he declared and "the shadow of the Executive hands over all, and the President's wishes are almost the only law."

Roasts Wall Street.
Mr. Tillman reviewed the events of the recent currency crisis and charged Wall Street with many misdeeds.

"The profits of this nefarious stock market have," he said, "found their way into the pockets of the very men who with the evil results of their fraud manifest pose as 'saviors' and 'unworned kings,' and are landed to the skies when they are really trying to save themselves from the disasters which threatened to overwhelm them along with their deluded victims. One of these 'sa-

SEN'R BRYAN DEAD

Florida's Junior Senator Dies After Short Illness

YOUNGEST MEMBER OF SENATE

Elected Less Than Three Months Ago to Succeed the Late Senator Mallory as Florida's Representative in the Upper House of Congress.

Washington, Special.—United States Senator William James Bryan of Florida, died at Providence Hospital at 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning of typhoid fever. It was only 73 days since he took his seat as the successor of the late Senator Stephen R. Mallory, who died December 23d, and 3 days of that time was spent in his fight against disease. Several times during Mr. Bryan's illness his friends despaired of his recovery, but as late as Saturday night the report was given out that his condition had taken a turn for the better. His death, therefore, came as a surprise and a distinct shock.

In physique Mr. Bryan was unfitted to withstand a protracted fight. He was slight of build and of nervous temperament. He came to Washington early in January from the warm climate of Florida and from the day of his arrival was far from well. Finally he was compelled to give up and was taken to Providence Hospital. During the last few days of his illness he was attended by specialists from Johns Hopkins University Hospital, Baltimore.

In Mr. Bryan the Senate loses the seventh member by death since the adjournment of the Fifty-ninth Congress on March 4th, a year ago. They were the two late Senators from Alabama, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Pettus; Mr. McIlroy, of Florida; Mr. Lattimer, of South Carolina; Mr. Prouty, of Vermont; Mr. Whyte, of Maryland, and Mr. Bryan. Curiously enough the last two were the oldest and the youngest members of the body. Mr. Whyte was 84 years old and Mr. Bryan less than 32.

Though Mr. Bryan was in the Senate too short a time to impress his individuality on legislation or to take a prominent part in the consideration of matters in committee, it is conceded that he would have become a forceful part of the minority.

Mr. Bryan was born in Orange county, Florida, October 10th, 1876. He attended the public schools of his State and Emory College, Georgia, graduating from the latter institution.

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American Fleet Accepts Kind Invitation of Emperor

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President Roosevelt and His Cabinet Consider Long and Earnestly the Cordial Invitation From the Emperor and Decide to Satisfy His Desire to View the Big Sixteen.

Washington, Special.—The American battleship fleet is to visit Japan. The desire of the Emperor of the island kingdom to play host to the "Big Sixteen" was laid before Secretary Root by Baron Takahira, the Japanese ambassador. A invitation which was couched in the most cordial terms, was made the subject of extended consideration by President Roosevelt and his entire Cabinet. Secretary Root was directed to accept the invitation, and the acceptance was laid before the Japanese ambassador. It is regarded in official circles here as more than likely that China will be next to bid for a look at the fleet, and that should this be the case the invitation would be accepted.

Secretary Metcalf and Admiral Pillsbury, chief of navigation, are arranging the details of the new itinerary. With the exception of China, it is believed to have been determined that all other invitations,

RUSSIAN CODE DUELLO

The Affair of Honor an Outgrowth of a Memorandum, in Which General Smirnov Questioned the Courage of General Fock.

St. Petersburg, By Cable.—Lieutenant General Smirnov was seriously wounded in a duel fought here Wednesday morning, with Lieutenant General Fock. The men met in the riding school of the Chevalier Guard Regiment and fought with pistols, a distance of 20 paces separating them.

A duel was caused by the memorandum written by General Smirnov on the siege of Port Arthur, in which he questioned the courage of General Fock. The latter considered that his honor and reputation were involved and challenged the author of the memorandum.

The riding school was placed at the disposal of the combatants by the command of the regiment and the duel occurred with the full knowledge and probation of the military authorities. It was witnessed by several officers of high rank and it was reported that several women were present.

Shortly before 10 o'clock Generals Fock and Smirnov appeared at the riding school. Without saluting they took the places assigned by their seconds were his brother-in-law, Vladimir, and his brother-in-law, Vladimir, Mr. Purishkevich, a member of the Duma, and Captain Schulz, of the navy, while for General

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Edgefield Politics.
Edgefield, Special.—The Hon. P. Brooks Mayson will be announced as a candidate for the State Senate. This is the first.

The State Pension Board.
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Boy Killed by Trolley.
Aiken, Special.—A young boy named Dean was killed by the Augusta-Aiken express car between Langley and Warrenville. It is stated that young Dean left home in the morning presumably for school, but instead he went to Langley and when the trolley express, which is due in the place at 12 o'clock, passed through the place Dean went underneath the car and located himself on the rods. When the car was between Langley and Warrenville he in some way lost his hold and fell off and was literally torn to pieces underneath the car.

Three Negro Children Cremated.
Columbia, Special.—Three negro children perished in the flames when the house of Elias Davis, a colored man living near Walhalla, was burned. Four children alone in the house were playing with a torch near a sack of seed cotton, which caught fire, igniting their clothing. Though the door stood open the three youngest children were too much frightened to escape.

Passenger Rates Reduced.
Columbia, Special.—The railroad commission has decided to order the Seaboard Air Line, the Blue Ridge and the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens railroads to put in effect by April 1 the reduced passenger rate of 2-1-2 cents per mile. These lines protested against the reduction from 3 cents per mile but were willing to issue mileage books at the same rates as other lines. The decision of the commission is very important and may be carried to the courts.

Alabama Lumber Company Fails.
Mobile, Ala., Special.—A special from Jackson, Ala., says that the McIntyre Lumber Company failed Friday. The company originally represented a capitalization of one million dollars. The Zimmerman Lumber Company, in the same vicinity, capitalized at \$500,000, making the total liabilities \$1,500,000. No reason is assigned for the failure other than financial conditions.

Railroad Employees Strike.
Denver, Colo., Special.—Monday morning 1,500 machinists, boiler-makers and members of kindred trades working in the Denver & Rio Grande Railway's shops went on a strike in response to an order issued by W. J. McQueney, representing the machinists' national organization, after a final conference at which Manager A. C. Ridgeway, of the railroad, refused any concessions.

75,000 Fire at Norfolk.
Norfolk, Special.—Early Sunday fire broke out in the wholesale grocery firm of the Four Company, wrecking the establishment, gutting the clothing store of Sake & Co., and damaging the exchange of the Southern States Telephone, and stocks of E. L. Meeks & Co., electricians, and L. P. Roberts & Co., grocers. Loss \$75,000.

Prisoner Burned to Death in His Cell.
Little Falls, N. Y., Special.—Lighting his pipe in his cell in the village jail, John Doherty, of Middleville, who was locked up Saturday night accidentally set fire to the mattress of his bed and before help could reach him he was burned to death. Doherty frantically tried to escape the flames, but the cell door barred the way. He was 55 years old.

Brother and Sister Dead.
Fort Mill, Special.—Mr. Thomas Thomasson, who has been ill for some time, died here Saturday night. His sister, Mrs. Effie Stinson, who lived in Nashville, Tenn., died of heart failure on Friday morning. Her body was brought here for burial and the funerals of brother and sister were held together in the Methodist church by the pastor, the Rev. W. M. Owings, at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Both bodies were interred in our town cemetery at the same time.

Hugenot Mills to Be Sold June 10th.
Greenville, Special.—It was decided at a meeting of the creditors to sell the Hugenot Cotton Mills, bankrupt, of this city, on June 10th. No bid less than \$60,000 for the machinery and building will be entertained. The other property consisted of the employees' houses which will be sold at the same time. This is the mill corporation that went into bankruptcy in January.

Election at Gaffney.
Gaffney, Special.—Great interest was taken in the election held here last week to nominate a member of the board of public works to fill out the unexpired term of mayor Ross. The vote was as follows: Cash 301; Clay 98; Rancall 73; and Baker 49. This will necessitate a second race between Cash and Clay.

Rejoining Building Were Destroyed.
Nothing was saved. Insurance amounting to \$2,500 will probably cover the losses. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the fire alarm was given and the Belevine beef market was found on fire, but the blaze was promptly put out, evidently a spark was left smoldering somewhere to do serious damage later.

Dies From Mad Dog's Bite.
Newberry, Special.—The 6-year-old son of F. J. Russell, who was bitten by a mad dog on the streets of Newberry of February 26, died at the Pasteur institute at Atlanta. It was thought that the child was getting along well until on Saturday hydrophobia developed. The remains will be brought to Newberry and interment will be at Rosemont cemetery.

Reports from the committee on military affairs were presented to the Senate in regard to the investigation of the affair at Brownsville, Tex. which resulted in the discharge with honor of three companies of negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry. At the same time a message was received from the President calling attention to the fact that the testimony taken by the committee sustains his position in discharging the negro soldiers. He recommends extension of the time for re-enlistment of the discharged men who might be found not to fall within the terms of the order. There were four reports from the committee. Senators Warren, Lodge, Warner, Dupont, Taliaferro, Foster, Overman, Frazier and McCreary. A minority report was signed by Senators Foraker, Scott, Bulkeley and Hemenway.

In his special message covering the matter the President says: "Applications to re-enlist from former members of Companies B C and D, Twenty-fifth Infantry, who were discharged under the provisions of special order No. 266, War Department, November 9th, 1906, must be made in writing and be accompanied by such evidence, also in writing, as the applicant may desire to submit, to show that he was neither implicated in the raid on Brownsville, Tex., on the night of August 13th, 1906, nor withheld any evidence that might lead to the discovery of the perpetrators thereof."

Pirates Surrender French Vessel.
Las Palmas, Canary Islands, By Cable.—The French fishing vessel Beline, which was captured recently by Moors near Cape Juby, and to rescue which the French cruiser Cassard was ordered to the coast of Morocco, has been turned over to the Cassard, together with the members of the crew without ransom.

All Quiet in Haiti.
Port au Prince, By Cable.—President Nord Alexis in an interview at the palace, declared that conditions in the republic were absolutely tranquil. He said that he did not question his ability to preserve order and protect interests here. Should the powers, however, decide to keep the warships in this harbor he would not object, but he added that there was no necessity for such a thing; there was no possibility for such a popular outbreak against the foreign residents.

Norfolk Soldiers Arrested For Murder.
Mobile, Ala., Special.—Isham Bishop, 20 years old, an enlisted soldier at Fort Morgan, was carried back to Tazewell, Tenn., under a charge of murder. The soldier admits the killing, claiming that a man named Harris killed his dog and that he killed Harris.

Norfolk and Western Employees Refuse Company's Proposition.
Roanoke, Va., Special.—The employees of the Norfolk & Western Railway Company declined to accept the proposition submitted to them by the road on February 24th, which was "that in any month that the company's gross earnings are less than \$2,500,000 that their rates of pay will be computed on the rates in effect previous to the last adjustment; this arrangement to remain in effect for a period of 10 months from the date of its adoption."

Greenville, S. C., Special.—William and Earle Payne, father and son, respectively, are locked in the county jail, both charged with capital offenses, of a different nature. The elder Payne, who is 65 years of age, is charged with arson, and the younger one is charged with having ravished a young negro girl. Earle Payne, the young man, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by the girl's parents, and while the latter were in the city it is claimed that the elder Payne burned their house. The evidence against both of them is said to be strong. The Paynes are white people and heretofore have borne good reputations. Both crimes were committed about four miles from the city.

Unknown Negro Shoots Two White Men.
Jackson, Miss., Special.—An unknown negro shot and fatally wounded Baxter and Rufus Burns at Burns, Miss., late Wednesday. Both are relatives of United States Senator McLaurin, of Mississippi. Governor Noel has sent bloodhounds from the Rankin county convict farm in pursuit. The vicinity is reported as being in the search of the culprit. The cause of the shooting has not been ascertained.

Georgian Killed in Boiler Explosion.
Folkston, Ga., Special.—The boiler at the saw mill of G. W. Moore, at Homeland, blew up Wednesday killing Mr. Moore, the proprietor, instantly, and seriously scalding three other men. Mr. Moore came here from north Georgia a few years ago and was one of the wealthiest men in this section of the State.

Washington, Special.—The Census Bureau in its final gimmers' report for the present year makes the total cotton ginned this season 11,261,000 bales, counting round bales as halves and including linters. Last year it was 13,299,000. In 1906 it was 10,725,002. By states the number of bales are (rounding bales)—North Carolina, 648,517; South Carolina, 1,175,373; Texas, 2,271,724; Georgia, 1,891,900.

Force Reduced One-Half.
Nashville, Special.—Five hundred men who were employed in the Louisville and Nashville locomotive department, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway shops here, have been laid off. Orders were issued to the men on account of decreased business and the intention of the road to decrease expenses on every hand. This means a saving of \$30,000 a month to the road. There are still over five hundred men in the shops. Many of the men laid off are experienced workmen.

Mr. Cleveland Is 71.
Lakewood, N. J., Special.—After a quiet, family celebration of his 71st birthday anniversary, Grover Cleveland, for eight years President of the United States, was able to say at night that he was in better health than for some time past. Mr. Cleveland immensely enjoyed the little affair prepared in his honor in which only those of the home circle and a very few intimate friends participated. The former President said: "I am feeling much better than I have for some time before. Already the benefit of the Lakewood climate is apparent. A little trouble with my feet had made impossible long walks during the last few weeks. Today, however, I was able to enjoy a longer stroll than has been possible before for many months."

Arson and Rape Charged.
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